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REFERENCES

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REMARKS

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1. On 4 and 5 March 1951, only one barracks building of the Remonte Kaserne in Gardelegen (M 53 X 44) was occupied to capacity by about 300 troops who wore red-bordered black epaulets. About 60 recruits were seen returning to the installation from the field training.

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2. The Flughafen Kaserne quartered from 1,000 to 1,200 infantry and artillery troops. The installation consisted of two large barracks buildings, forming a right angle, and a third building which seemed to be the headquarters building. In the training area north of the installation, a battery of four guns of about 120 mm caliber, towed by trucks, was seen practicing driving, limbering, and unlimbering. Motor vehicles which entered the Flug-

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* Comment. The information indicates no change since a previous report See

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Comment. Previous estimates of the number of troops in the Flughafen Kaserne fluctuated between 800 and 2,000. Source of the present report estimated their number at 1,000 to 1,200. Since, on the one hand, the 693d How Arty Regt of the 207th Mtz Rifle Div is fairly definitely in Gardelegen, but since, on the other hand, the strength of the 693d Arty Regt does not agree with the billeting capacity of, and the number of troops in the Flughafen Kaserne, it must be inferred that still another unit is stationed there. The

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